

CLAIMS:

What is claimed is:

1. A method for decorating fruit with a design, the method comprising the steps of:
 - selecting a fruit;
 - selecting a design to decorate the fruit;
 - printing the design;
 - 5 coating the fruit with an edible coating; and
 - attaching the design to the coated fruit.
2. The method of claim 1 wherein the design is printed on a frosting sheet.
3. The method of claim 2 wherein the color of the frosting sheet is the same color as the coating.
4. The method of claim 2 wherein the design is printed on the frosting sheet by an inkjet printer.
5. The method of claim 1 wherein the design is printed on an edible film.
6. The method of claim 5 wherein the edible film is releasably attached to a peelable backing.

7. The method of claim 6 wherein the peelable backing is acetate.
8. The method of claim 5 wherein the edible film is chocolate.
9. The method of claim 8 wherein the chocolate is milk chocolate.
10. The method of claim 8 wherein the chocolate is white chocolate.
11. The method of claim 5 wherein the edible film is caramel.
12. The method of claim 1 wherein the coating is a confectionary coating.
13. The method of claim 12 wherein the chocolate is milk chocolate.
14. The method of claim 12 wherein the chocolate is white chocolate.
15. The method of claim 1 wherein the coating is caramel.
16. The method of claim 1 wherein the fruit is selected from the group consisting of strawberries, apples, bananas, cherries, orange slices, and pears.
17. The method of claim 1 wherein the design is attached before the coating is dry.

18. The method of claim 1 wherein the design attached using an adhesive.

19. A method for decorating fruit with a design, the method comprising the steps of:

selecting a fruit;

selecting a design to decorate the fruit;

printing the design on a frosting sheet;

5 coating the fruit with an edible coating; and

attaching the frosting sheet to the coated fruit.

20. A method for decorating fruit with a design, the method comprising the steps of:

selecting a fruit;

selecting a design to decorate the fruit;

printing the design on an edible film with a peelable backing;

5 coating the fruit with an edible coating; and

attaching the edible film to the coated fruit.